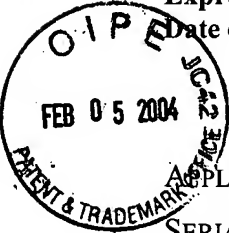


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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Insert the enclosed drawing as Figure 1.

REMARKS

In response to December 8, 2003 Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application in the above-identified application, Applicants file herewith Figure 1 (1 sheet).

The specification has been amended to incorporate Figure 1. Support for the drawing appears in USSN 10/629,248, filed January 4, 2001 (the '248 application). The present application is a divisional application of the '248 application and incorporates the '248 application by reference (see, *e.g.*, page 1 of the specification). No new matter has been added. A copy of the executed Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney in the '248 application was submitted with the filing of the present application. Applicants assert that no further oath or declaration is required.

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This Response is due February 8, 2004 with no extension of time. No fees are believed due. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-631DIV (Cura-131DIV).

Respectfully submitted,



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